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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

We are customers of broadband service and live in a rural area where service can sometimes be intermittent. With our limited access to big city services and products and the long distances involved in acquiring products we need, broadband service at competitive rates is extremely important to our community. The smaller, non-national company who provides our service is very responsive to problems that occasionally happen and to our need for information on how to access and use their system.

The government saw fit to break up monopolies like Ma Bell many years ago. How is this any different? Large companies don't need protection or subsidies or power to raise rates just because they are the only game in town. Competition ALWAYS benefits the consumer. The FCC should be trying to help people, not big companies.

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